

# Scintillator Tiles and Test Beam Plans

Tungsten Timing



TestBeam

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- First Muon Data from CERN Installation
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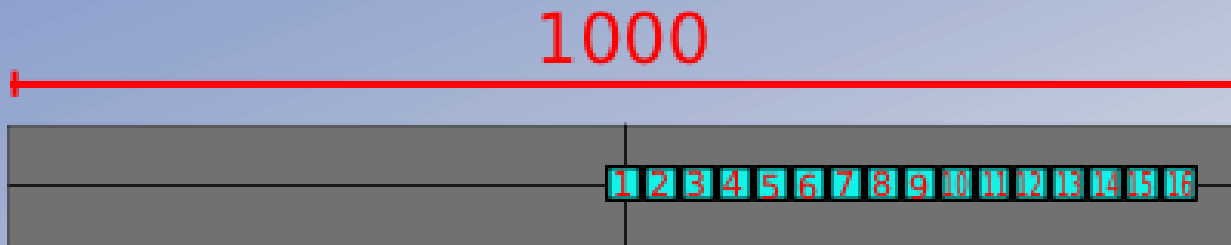
# **AIMS OF T3B**



# Recap: Aims of the T3B Experiment



- Information about the time structure of hadronic showers in Tungsten is crucial for the development of a CLIC HCAL
  - The observed Time Structure depends on the active medium (sensitivity to neutrons) → Need scintillators to evaluate an analog HCAL
  - Directly coupled scintillator tiles, read out with fast digitizers can be used for detailed measurements of the time structure of the shower



- Construct one timing layer = one strip of tiles
- Run together with the CALICE AHCAL at CERN PS in November
- Match T3B Events to CALICE Events to obtain the shower start

Obtain first information on the timing of the lateral and longitudinal shower profile

# **SCINTILLATOR TILE DEVELOPMENT**

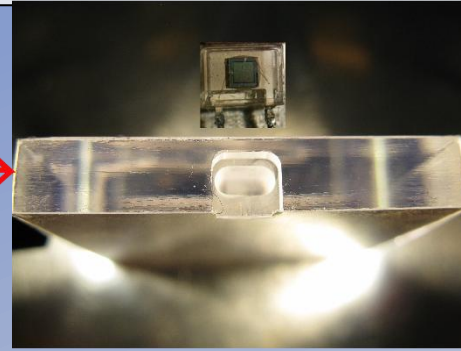
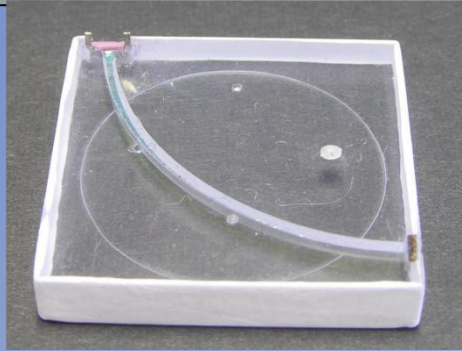


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- Embed WLS

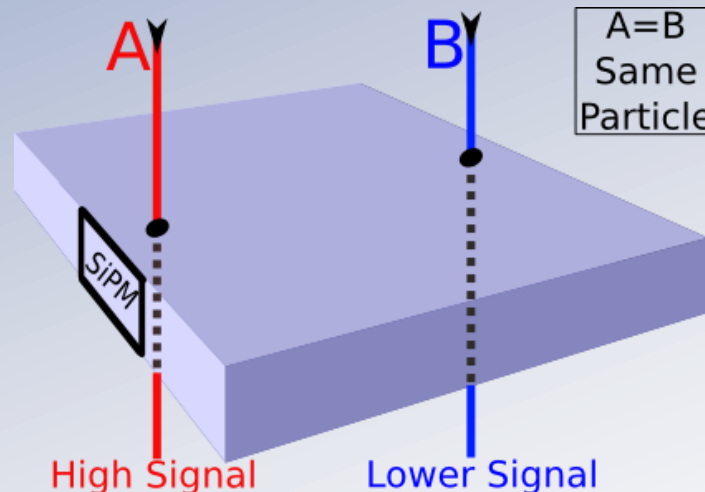


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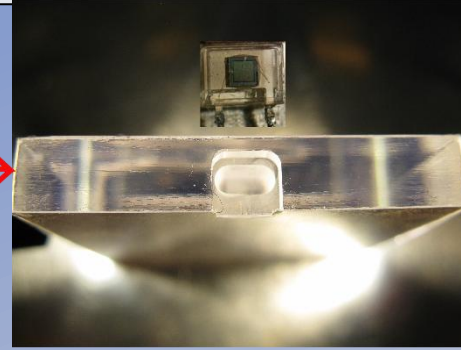
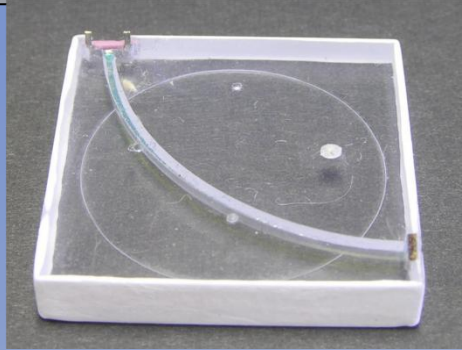


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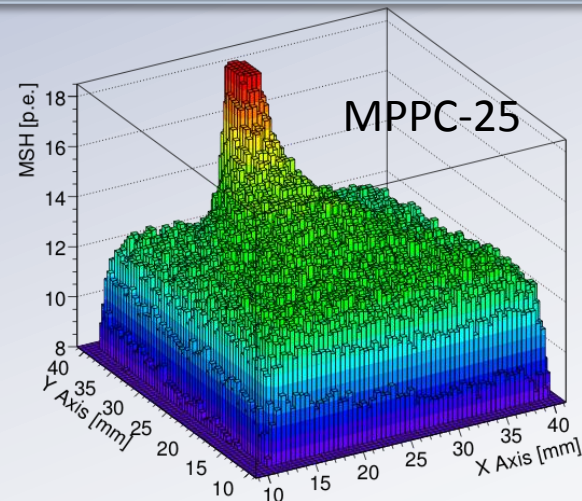
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- Lateral Scan over Tile



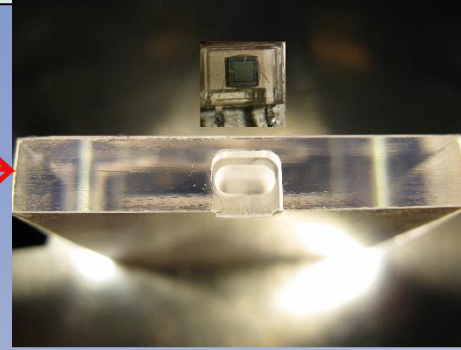
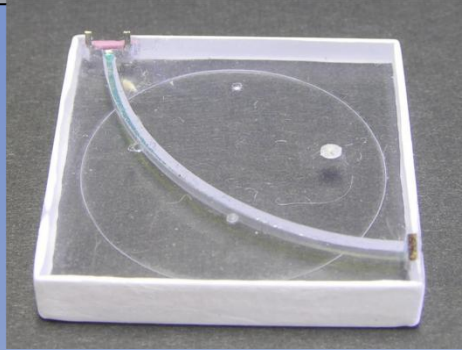


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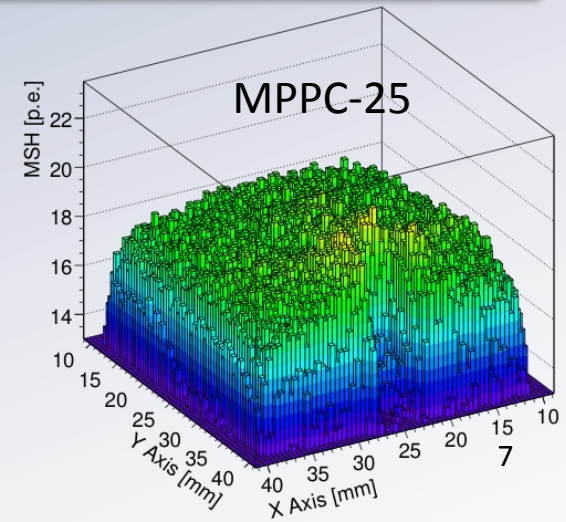
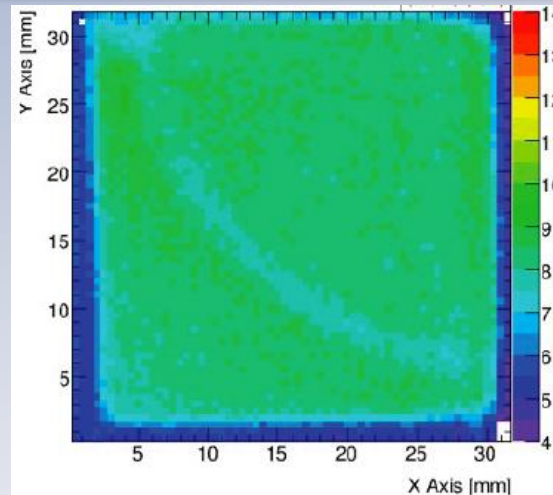
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## WLS Measurement:

Reduced signal amplitude. Sensitivity of MPPC not matched to fiber emission.





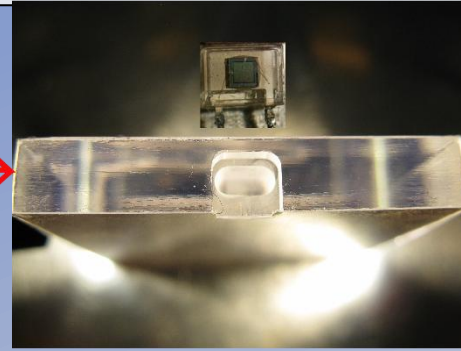
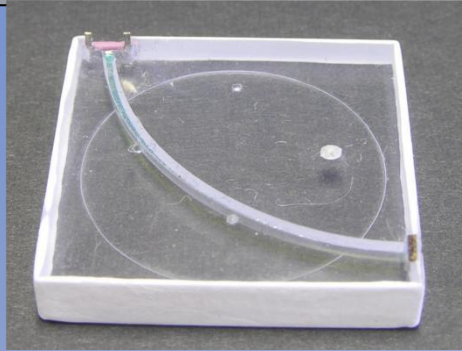


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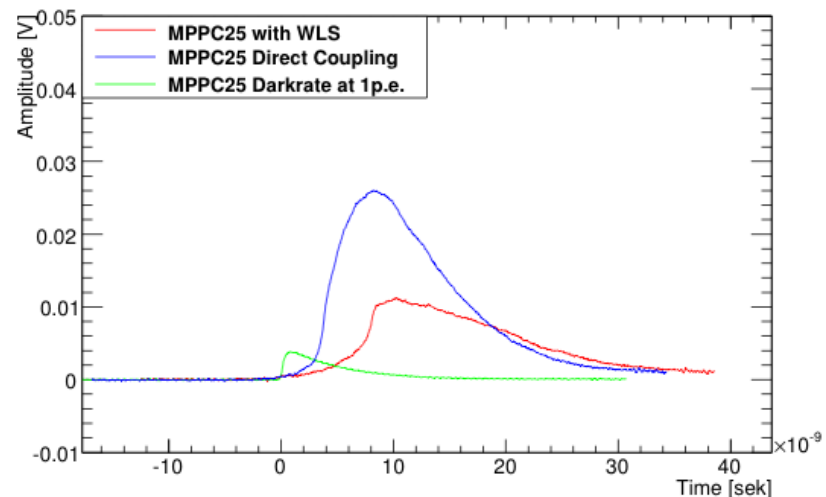
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## Direct Coupling

- WLS adds additional delay to the photon signal (excitation process)
- Improve the timing of the intrinsic signal through direct coupling

### Result from the Test Bench:

- Irradiation with Sr90 ( $\beta$ -Decay)
- Record and average the signal of 500 penetrating electrons
- Signal faster and faster peaking (!)
- Important to determine the ToFH accurately



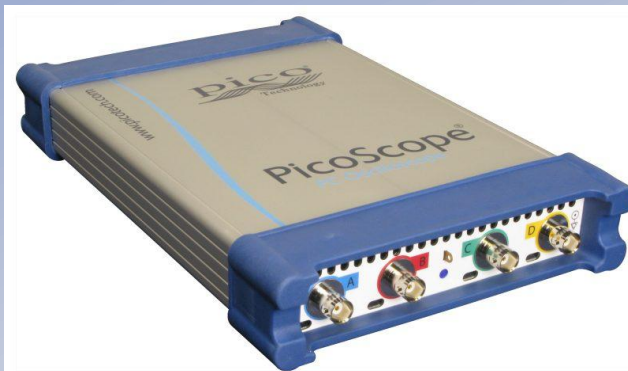
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# The Test Beam Setup of T3B



- One layer = row of 14 scintillator tiles
- Tile size:  $3 \times 3 \times 0.5 \text{ cm}^3$
- SiPM: Hamamatsu MPPC-50C
- Readout: 4 x PicoScope 6403
  - Fast Digitizer (1.25GSa/s on 4CH)
  - Deep memory (1GSa)
  - Fast data capturing (up to 1MHz)





# T3B Test Installation at CERN



Power distribution:  
HV for SiPMs ( $\sim 73\text{V}$ ), LV for preamps  
(More sophisticated installation foreseen)

Special setup: Muon Telescope, not used in November

Power supplies: SiPM HV, Preamp LV  
in addition: DVM, not mandatory for November

PicoScopes: The heart of the DAQ

DAQ Computer, Screen not mandatory in November

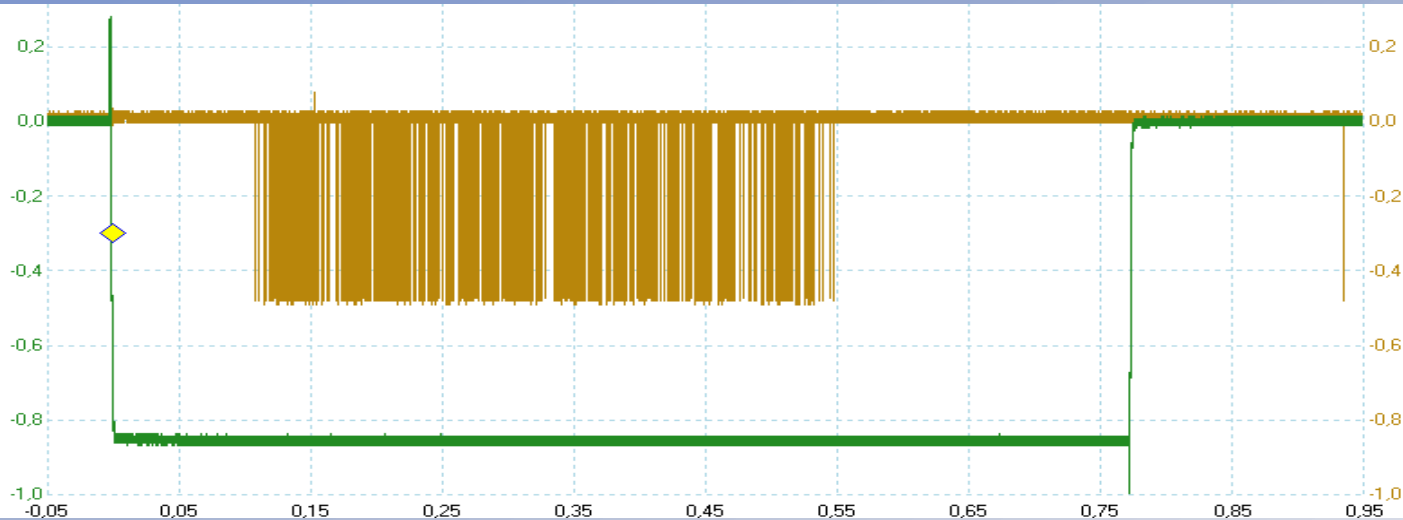
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Enclosing Spill signal:

→ ~780ms

→ PS2203 triggers T3B readout and data transfer

Triggers from CALICE backplane:

→ ~70ns

→ Used as external trigger for T3B data capturing

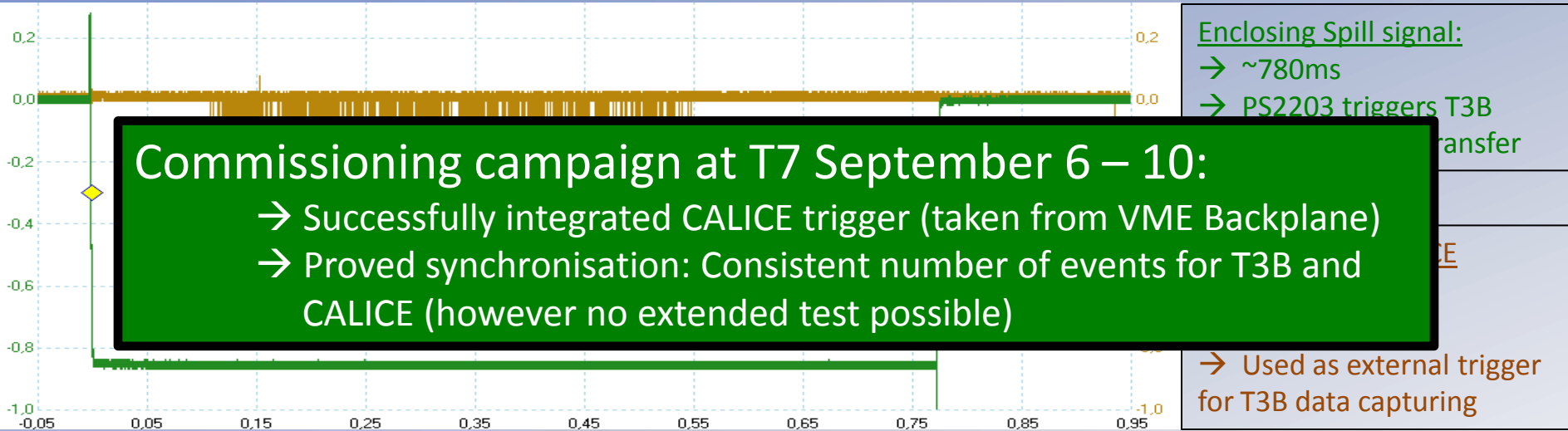
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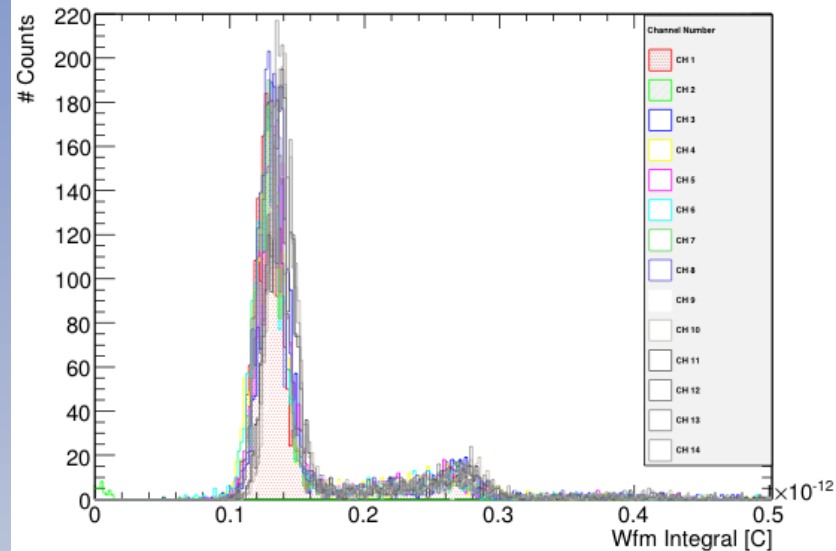
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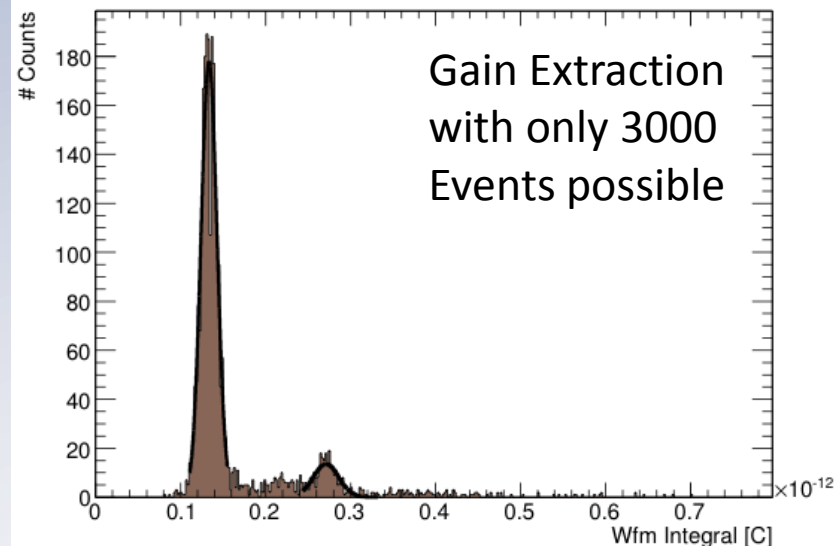
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Calibration: Darkrate Distribution of All Channels



SiPM Gain Extraction from Darkrate - Channel 3





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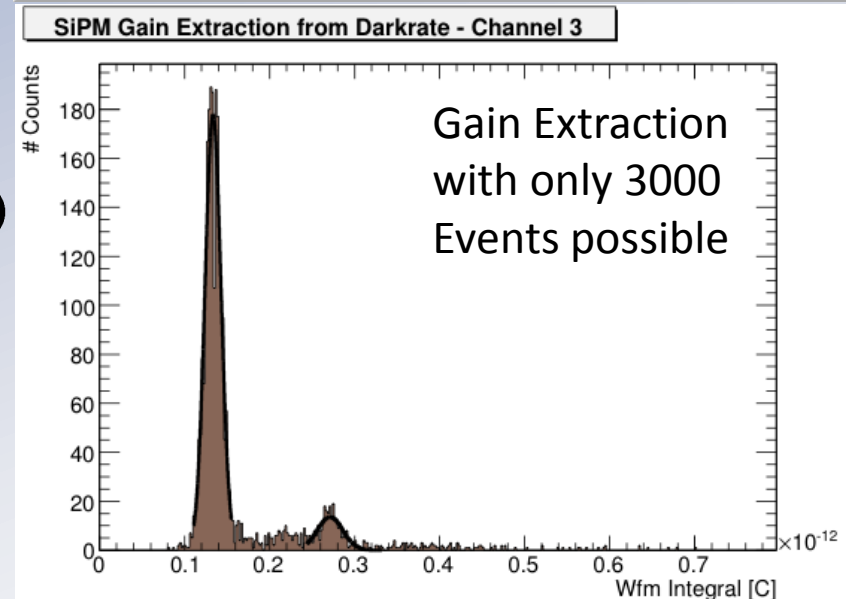
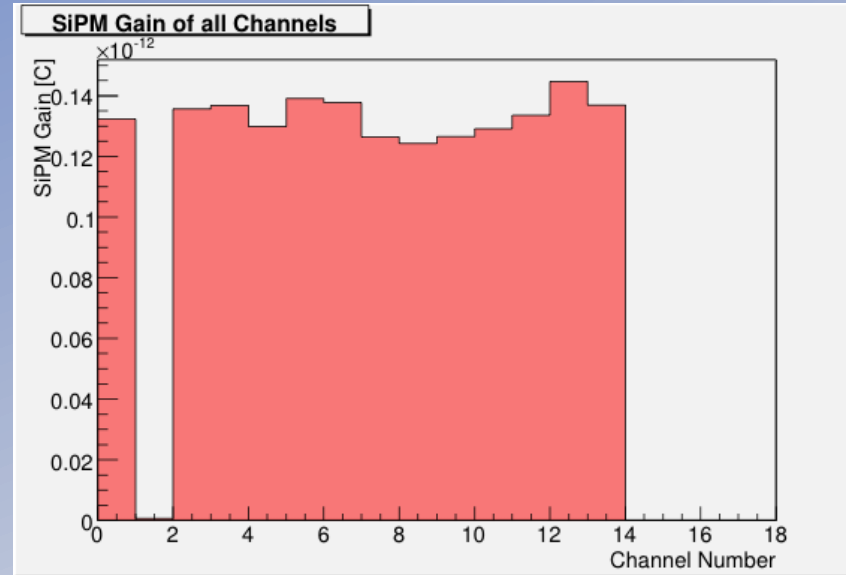


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- Test Bench: Gain-Amplitude Correlation
  - Measure #p.e./MIP with Sr90 (note: e-  $\neq$  MIP but correlation identical)
  - Steer through different Bias Voltages and Temperatures
  - Obtain:  $A(T, U_{Bias}) = c(T, U_{Bias}) \cdot G(T, U_{Bias})$
  - Check consistency for different cells

Perform a Signal Correction using SiPM Gain Data





# **FIRST DATA FROM CERN** **INSTALLATION**



# First Results: Intrinsic T3B Timing



- Test Arrangement A: 1 PicoScope

- External Trigger Input of PS: CALICE Trigger
- 1 Input Channel of PS: same CALICE Trigger

→ Histogram the timing of rising signal edge

→ RMS of edge timing distribution  $\approx 400\text{ps}$

## Intrinsic time jitter of T3B DAQ $\approx 400\text{ps}$

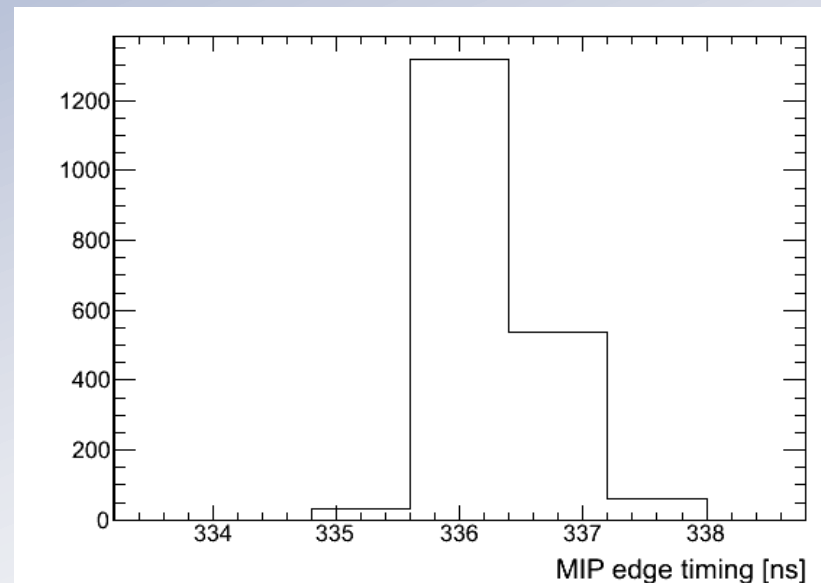
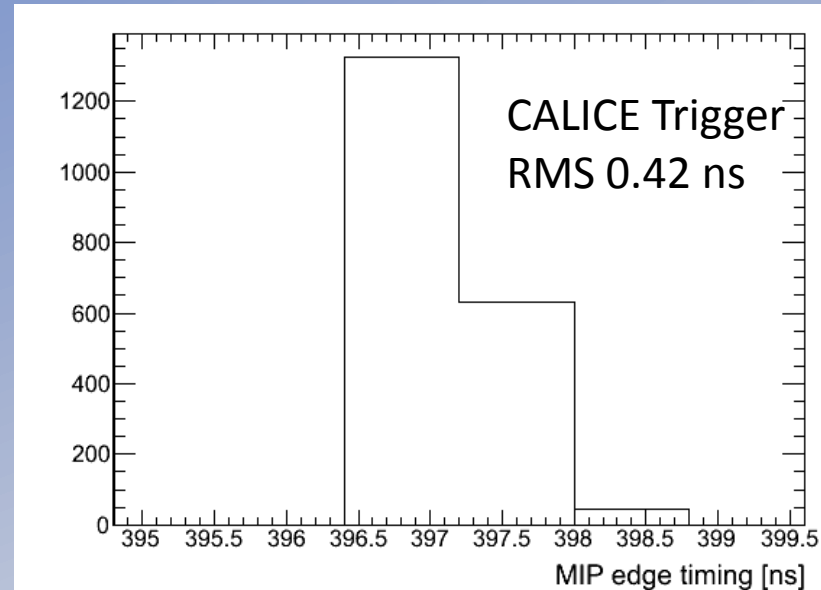
(Improvement through PicoScope trigger time offset possible)

- Test Arrangement B: 1 PicoScope

- External Trigger Input of PS: CALICE Trigger
- 1 Input Channel of PS: Beam Scintillator Trigger

No additional jitter introduced by

CALICE DAQ





# First Results: The Muon Telescope



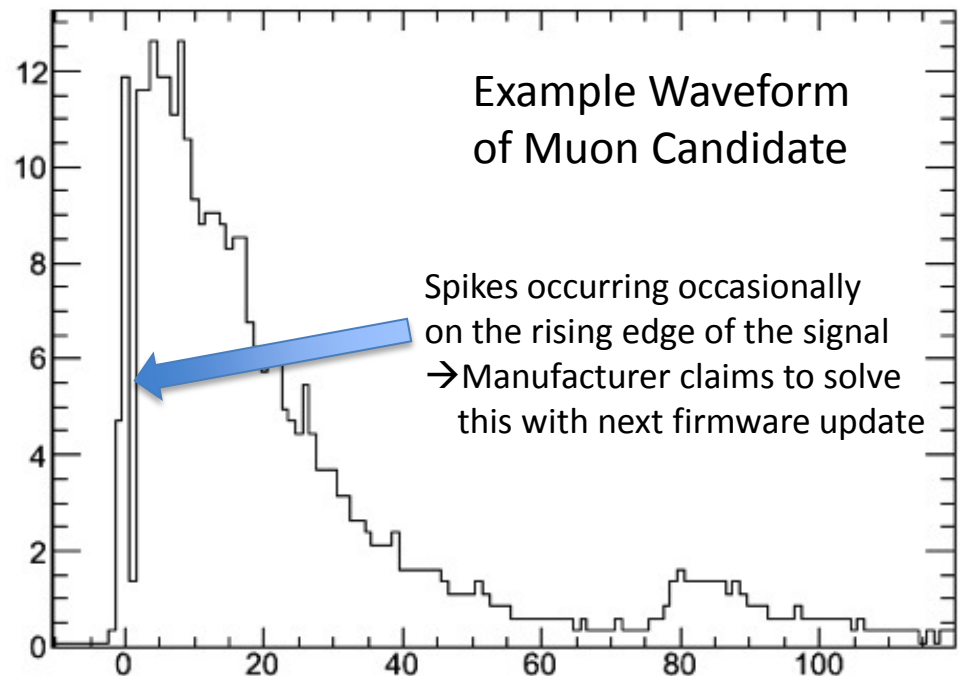
1 Channel Died (investigation ongoing)



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## Muon Candidates:

- Perform pedestal subtraction
- select Muon signals by a threshold of 4p.e. above the baseline



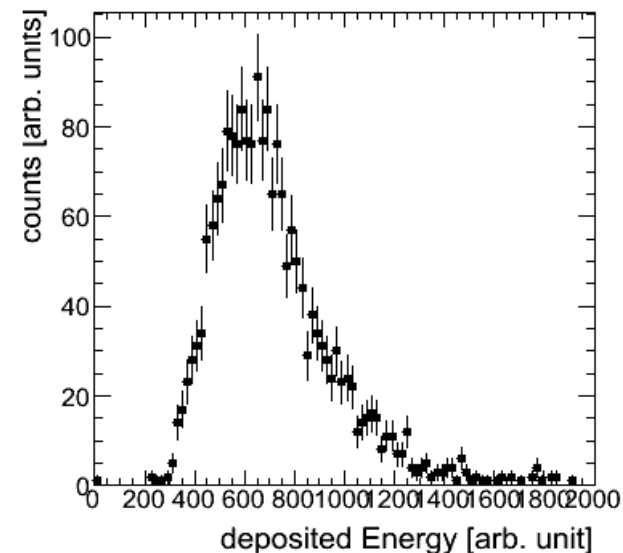
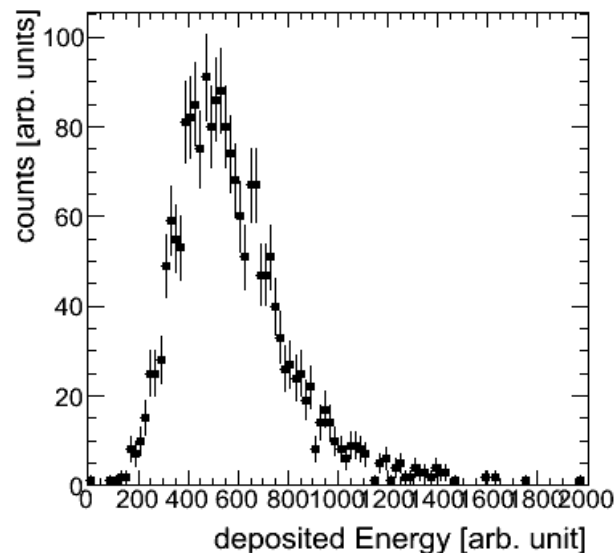
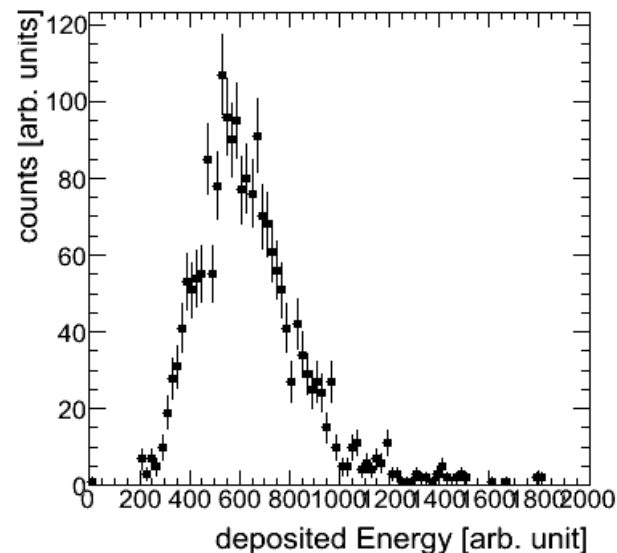


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Define time window around triggered sample:  
→ Histogram the waveform integral of tile 1,2,3  
→ MPV typically at 26p.e. (as expected from bench tests)

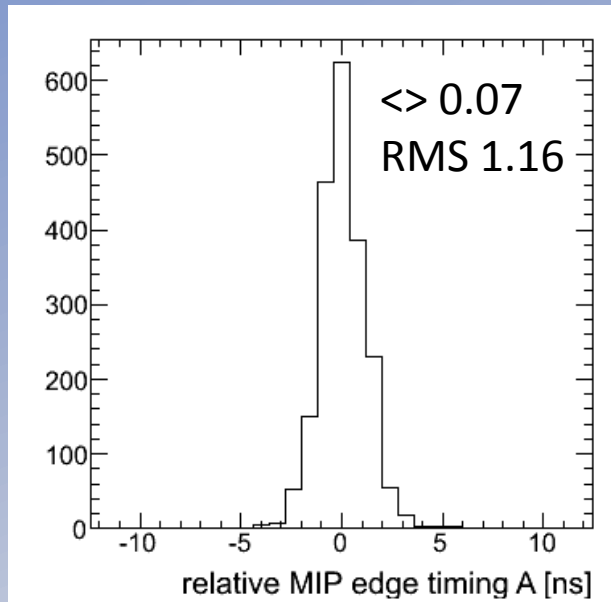




# First Results: MIP Signal Timing with Muon Telescope



- Test Arrangement C: 1 PicoScope → Standalone Run
    - Input Channel A,B,C of PS: Scintillator Tile 1 (front), 2 (middle), 3 (back) connected
    - Trigger condition: Signal coincidence between front and back → study middle
- Edge Timing given by sample above threshold (more sophisticated methods possible)



Typical RMS Width:  $\Delta T_{tot, MIP} \approx 1.1 - 1.2 \text{ ns}$

Investigate relative MIP Edge timing:

$$T_{rel} = T_B - T_A$$

Time resolution:

$$\Delta T_{tot, MIP} = \Delta T_{MIP} (TileB) \oplus \Delta T_{MIP} (TileA) = \Delta T_{MIP} \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

→ T3B time resolution for MIPs:  $\sim 800 \text{ ps}$   
(simple threshold method, further improvement by respecting intrinsic resolution possible)



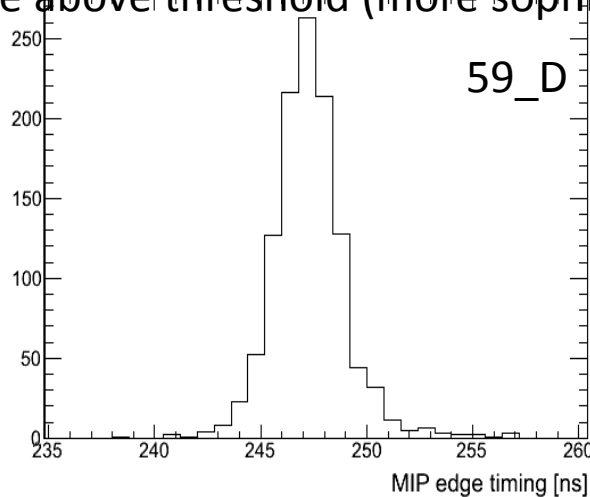
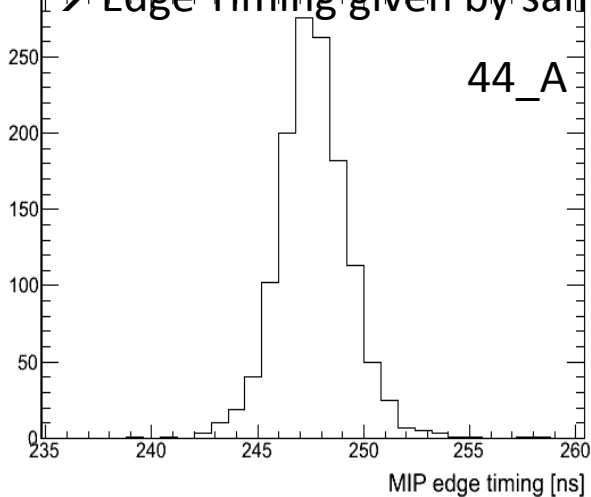
# First Results: Timing Strip Data



## • Test Arrangement D: Full Test Beam Setup - 4 PicoScopes

- External Trigger Input of PS: **CALICE Trigger using large 50x80cm Muon Beam Scintillators**
- 14 Input Channels of PS: **14 Scintillator tiles of the T3B Timing Layer**

→ Edge Timing given by sample above threshold (more sophisticated methods possible)



Typical RMS width:  
~1.6 ns

## Now modified Time resolution:

$$\Delta T_{tot} = \Delta T_{tot, MIP} \oplus \Delta T_{MuonTrigger}$$

, where

$$\Delta T_{MIP} \approx 0.8 \text{ ns}$$

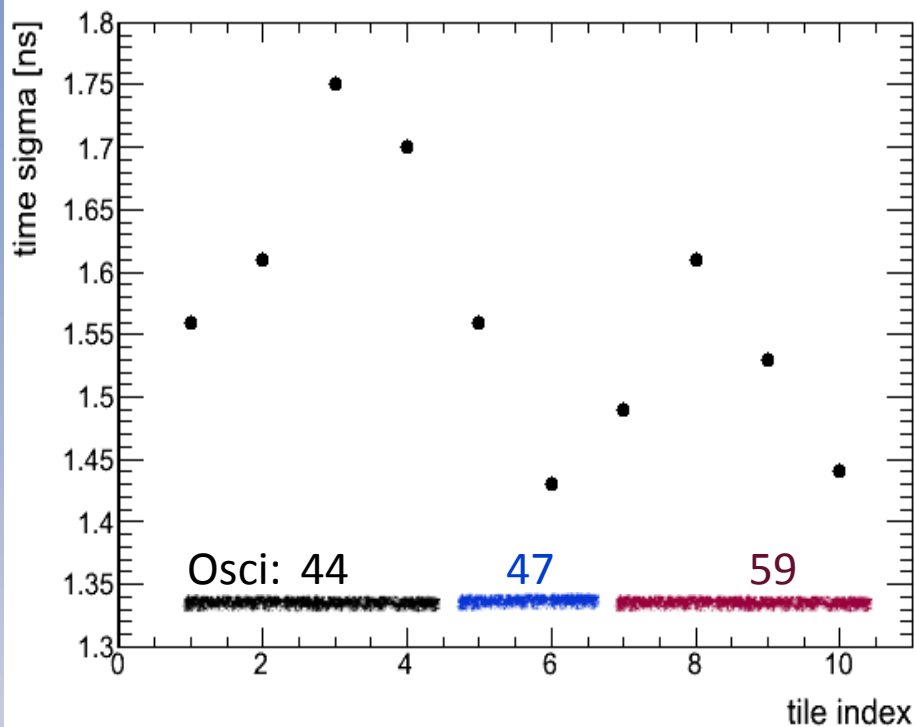
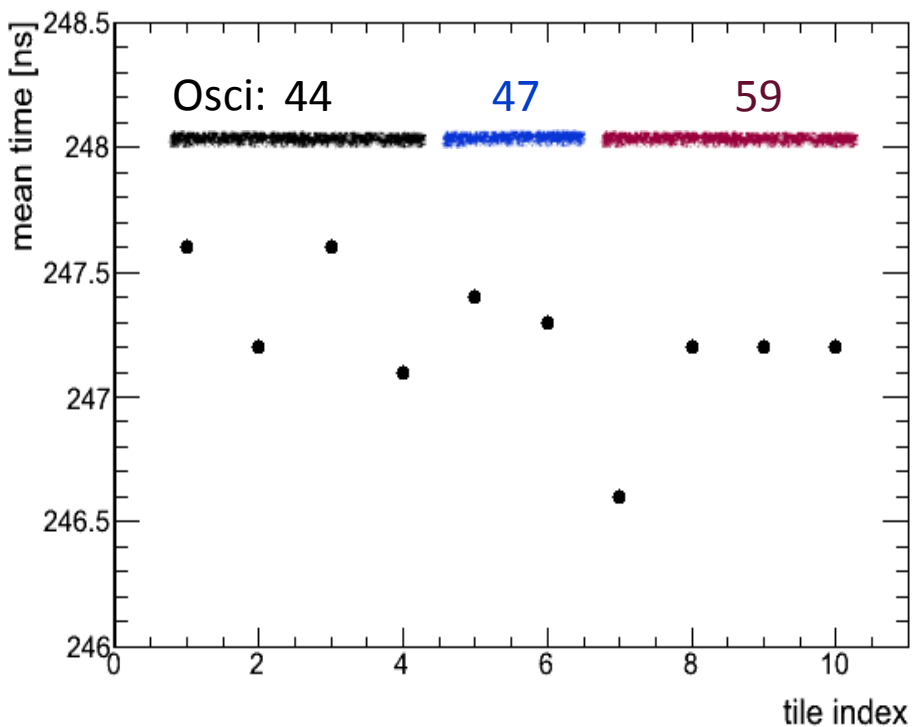
$$\Delta T_{tot} \approx 1.6 \text{ ns}$$

→ Large trigger adds ~ 1.3 ns spread (not used in hadron Test Beam)

(remember: All events are within 3 x 3 cm on the large trigger!)



# Timing of Full T3B Setup



1 PicoScope used in parallel for Muon Telescope → only 10 channels available

Result: Stable behaviour on all channels:  $(1.6 \pm 0.2)$ ns  
(further improvement in analysis possible)

# **SUMMARY**





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- Valuable experience from T3B commissioning run
  - Integration with CALICE Trigger proven, synchronisation works
  - Hardware mostly working (one channel broken, might be a short due to packaging)
  - Some oscillations observed on two of the four oscilloscopes, investigating
  - Some Muons to look at to develop analysis tools, quantify system performance
- Open question:
  - Spill structure for November test beam?
    - T3B DAQ not optimized for two spills that follow quickly one after the other, need  $\sim 5$ s between spills at the moment
    - Challenging: Constantly changing spill structure...



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Make this experiment possible!